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The Henerable William A. M. Burden

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Dear Bill:

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When we met the other day at the French Embassy I told you how much I appreciated your good letter of October 5 about my retirement. I just wanted to add this note to tell you how grateful I am for what you said in that letter.

As I told you, our plans for the future are still indefinite but there is a good chance that we will be eventually returning to New York, although I hope to keep - for a time at least - our house in Washington. I should like to add that seeing you in action as Ambassador to Belgium during the critical days of the Congo, I felt the highest admiration for the thoroughness with which you approached the task and the clearness of vision you had in appraising all the problems involved.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Dulles
Director

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